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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of: Manoj K. Sinha, et al

Serial No.: 10/667,775

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For: Method And Apparatus For Controlling
Refresh Operations In A Dynamic Memory
Device

Examiner: Van Thu T. Nguyen

Group Art Unit: 2824

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 19, 2005

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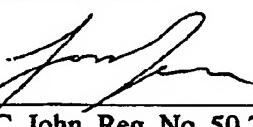
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Reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

the elements of claim 22. There is no indication of motivation in the cited prior art to prompt those skilled in the art to combine their teaching to render obvious all of the elements of claim 22. Without applying improper hindsight reasoning, those skilled in the art would not combine *Lee* and *Merritt* to make obvious all of the elements of claim 22 of the present invention. However, as described above, even if *Lee* and *Merritt* were combined, all of the elements of claim 22 would not be taught or made obvious. Therefore, the Examiner fails to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness in light of the amendments and arguments provided herein. Therefore, Applicants respectfully assert that claims 1-28 are now allowable.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Houston, Texas telephone number (713) 934-4069 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Date: <u>July 19, 2005</u>	<p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>WILLIAMS, MORGAN & AMERSON, P.C. CUSTOMER NO. 23720</p> <p>By: </p> <p>Jaison C. John, Reg. No. 50,737 10333 Richmond, Suite 1100 Houston, Texas 77042 (713) 934-7000 (713) 934-7011 (facsimile) ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT(S)</p>
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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS		
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	minus 20 =	*
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	minus 3 =	*
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

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Independent	* 6	Minus	*** 4	= 2
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AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
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SMALL ENTITY
TYPE

OTHER THAN
OR SMALL ENTITY

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BASIC FEE	150.00	OR BASIC FEE	300.00
X\$ 25=		OR X\$50=	
X100=		OR X200=	
+180=		OR +360=	
TOTAL		OR TOTAL	

OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 25=		X\$50=	300.00
X100=		X200=	400.00
+180=		+360=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	700.00

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 25=		X\$50=	
X100=		X200=	
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TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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